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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims. These claims are reflected in the substitute specification.

1. (Currently amended) A riding type vehicle comprising:

characterized in a riding type vehicle including an automatic transmission, a clutch actuator and a shift actuator configured to execute eapable of executing a shift change by the automatic transmission, a clutch actuator and a shift actuator;

- wherein a multiplate clutch a clutch the operation of which is controlled by the clutch actuator is a multiplate clutch;
- wherein the multiplate clutch <u>comprising is provided with urging means bias member</u>

  <u>configured to for enlargeing</u> a partial clutch engagement region of the <u>multiplate</u> clutch; and
- ——wherein in the shift change, <u>both</u> of <u>both</u> the clutch actuator and the shift actuator are <del>controlled</del> configured to operate <del>overlappingly</del>in an overlapping manner.
- 2. (Currently amended) The riding type vehicle according to Claim 1, wherein the urging means bias member for enlarging the partial clutch engagement region is a coil spring.
- 3. (Currently amended) The riding type vehicle according to Claim 1, eharacterized wherein the bias member is configured to in that the urging means enlarges the partial clutch engagement region by reducing a rigidity of the multiplate clutch.
- 4. (Currently amended) The riding type vehicle according to Claim 1 wherein the clutch actuator is connected to-with a control apparatus;

wherein the control apparatus is characterized configured to control in controlling the clutch from a first state of starting to transmit a drive force on a side of an engine by transmitting an operating force to the clutch by way of an operating force transmittering mechanism to a second state of starting to rotate the clutch in synchronism with the side of the engine by making a stroke by a predetermined amount by the clutch actuator; and

wherein the <u>urging means bias member and multiplate clutch</u> is <u>characterized configured in</u> being provided to the multiplate clutch to construct a constitution in which such that when a temperature of the clutch is changed, a first range between a stroke position on a low temperature side and a stroke position on a high temperature side in the first state and a second range between a

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stroke position on a low temperature side and a stroke position on a high temperature side in the second state are separated from each other.

5. (Currently amended) The riding type vehicle according to Claim 1, wherein the clutch actuator is connected with to a control apparatus;

wherein the control apparatus is characterized configured to in controlling control the clutch from a first state of starting to transmit a drive force on a side of an engine to a second state of starting to rotate the clutch in synchronism with a side of the engine by transmitting an operating force to the clutch by way of an operating force transmittering mechanism by making a stroke by a predetermined amount by the clutch actuator; and

wherein the bias device and the multiplate clutch is configured such that urging means is characterized in being provided to the multiplate clutch to construct a constitution in which when the clutch is worn, a first range between a stroke position on a side before wearing the clutch and a stroke position on a side after wearing the clutch in the first state and a second range between a stroke position on a side before wearing the clutch and a stroke position on a side after wearing the clutch in the second state are separated from each other.

- 6. (Currently amended) The riding type vehicle according to Claim 1, characterized in that wherein in when the clutch actuator and the shift actuator and the overlapping operation, a shift change operation of the shift actuator is executed in a partial clutch engagement region produced by controlling the clutch actuator.
- 7. (Currently amended) The riding type vehicle according to Claim 6, characterized in that wherein a timing of starting the partial clutch engagement region and the shift change operation of the shift actuator are controlled to be synchronized.
- 8. (Currently amended) The riding type vehicle according to Claim 1, wherein the multiplate <u>clutch</u> comprises:

respective clutch disks arranged on a same axis center, made to be able configured to be able to rotate relative to each other around the axis center, made to be able configured to be brought into contact with each other and separated from each other in an axial direction of the axis center and cooperatively connected to a drive side and a driven side;

a stopper for hampering the two clutch disks brought into contact with each other from moving in one direction of the axial direction to a predetermined position or further;

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a clutch spring configured to for exerting an urge force to the two clutch disks in the one direction to bring to the two clutch disks movements of which are hampered by the stopper into contact with each other; and

biasurging force releaseing device configured tomeans for enableing to release of the urge force of the clutch spring exerted to the two clutch disks by inputting an operating force from outside;

wherein the clutch actuator is an actuator for exerting the operating force to the <u>biasurging</u> force releasing device<del>means</del>; and

wherein the <u>urging bias device means configured to for enlargeing</u> the partial clutch engagement region is a transmitt<u>ering</u> torque <u>restricting restriction</u> spring <u>configured to for urgeing</u> the two clutch disks in other direction of the axial direction to be brought into contact with each other.

9. (Currently amended) The riding type vehicle according to Claim 1, wherein the clutch actuator is an actuator for-configured to controlling the clutch from a first state of starting to transmit a drive force on a side of an engine to a second state of starting to rotate the clutch in synchronism with the side of the engine by transmitting an operating force to the clutch by way of an operating force transmitting mechanism by making a stroke of a predetermined amount; and

wherein the clutch actuator and the operating force transmitting mechanism are characterized in being arranged at outside of the engine.

- 10. (Currently amended) The riding type vehicle according to Claim 8, wherein the actuator is an electric motor.
- 11. (Currently amended) The riding type vehicle according to Claim 1, eharacterized wherein in that the clutch actuator is arranged disposed at inside of the engine of the riding type vehicle.
- wherein in that the operating force transmittering mechanism is provided with a first connecting portion provided on a side of the clutch actuator and a second connecting portion provided on a side of the clutch movably in separating and approaching directions, provided with a first urging means bias member configured to for urgeing the two first and second connecting portions in the separating direction, and when the clutch is disconnected, the clutch is constituted configured to be disconnected by making the two first and second connecting portions approach each other against an urge force of the first urging means bias member by driving the clutch actuator.

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13. (Currently amended) A riding type vehicle <u>comprising</u>: <u>which is a riding type vehicle</u> <u>including</u> an automatic transmission <u>eapable configured toof</u> executeing a shift change by a clutch actuator and a shift actuator;

——wherein the clutch actuator is connected with a control apparatus;

wherein the control apparatus is characterized inconfigured to controlling athe clutch from a first state of starting to transmit a drive force on a side of an engine to a second state of starting to rotate the clutch in synchronism with the side of the engine by transmitting an operating force to the clutch by way of an operating force transmittering mechanism by making a stroke by a predetermined amount by the clutch actuator; and

wherein the urging means a bias member within is characterized in being provided with the clutch to construct a constitution in which configured such that when a temperature of the clutch is changed, a first range between a stroke position on a low temperature side and a stroke position on a high temperature side in the first state and a second range between a stroke position on a low temperature side and a stroke position on a high temperature side in the second state are separated from each other.

14. (Currently amended) A riding type vehicle <u>comprising</u>: which is a riding type vehicle <u>including</u> an automatic transmission <u>capable of configured to execute executing</u> a shift change by a clutch actuator and a shift actuator;

wherein the clutch actuator is connected with a control apparatus;

wherein the control apparatus is characterized in controlling configured to control a multiplate the clutch from a first state of starting to transmit a drive force on a side of an engine to a second state of starting to rotate the clutch in synchronism with the side of the engine by transmitting an operating force to the clutch by way of an operating force transmittering mechanism by making a stroke by a predetermined amount by the clutch actuator; and

wherein a bias member the urging means is characterized in being provided to the for the multiplate clutch to construct a constitution in which configured such that when the clutch is worn, a first range between a stroke position on a side before wearing the clutch and a stroke position on a side after wearing the clutch in the first state and a second range between a stroke position on a side before wearing the clutch and a stroke position on a side after wearing the clutch in the second state are separated from each other.

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15. (Currently amended) The riding type vehicle according to any one of Claims 1 through 14;

wherein the riding type vehicle is a motor cycle; and

wherein the clutch actuator and the shift actuator are <u>configured</u> characterized in being controlled by an electronic control device<del>portion</del>.

- 16. (Currently amended) The riding type vehicle according to <u>Claim 1 any one of Claims 1 through 14</u>, <u>characterized wherein in that the automatic transmission is configured to execute executes the shift change by an instruction of a driver, or an instruction by an electronic control apparatus electrically connected to the clutch actuator the shift actuator.</u>
- 17. (Currently amended) The riding type vehicle according to Claim 16, characterized wherein the automatic transmission is configured to execute the shift change through an electronic control apparatus electrically connected to the clutch actuator and wherein that the electronic control apparatus is electrically connected with a sensor for detecting a situation of the riding type vehicle;

wherein the instruction by the electronic control apparatus is carried out in accordance with a situation of the riding type vehicle.